

Revisions to General Special Provisions Effective August 1, 2005

Please note: New revisions to WSDOT General Special Provisions are described below. Previous GSP's that are not revised in this package are still in effect. Special Provisions take precedence over the Standard Specifications in accordance with Section 1-04.2. The following list is a brief overview of the current revisions, with an explanation of why each change was made. The actual provisions should be reviewed in depth to become completely knowledgeable of the full extent of the revisions.

DIVISION 1 – GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

0705.GR1 Environmental Regulations

Title is revised from “Fish and Wildlife and Ecology Regulations” because this section will be expanded to cover all permit requirements, not only those from WDFW and DOE.

07051. FR1 State Department of Fish and Wildlife

Clarifies that the permit applies only to the work described in the original contract, and enhances the work window requirements to more closely resemble the language contained in the permit. Permit requirements are typically attached to contracts as Appendices, but permit requirements should be translated into contract provisions in order to be enforceable.

07112C.FR1 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Participation

Deletes this provision because WSDOT is not currently setting DBE Condition of Award (COA) goals on federally funded projects. WSDOT is revisiting the goal setting criteria, and federally funded projects must use the “zero goal” GSP 07112B.GR1 until further notice.

08052.GR1 Time for Completion

Enhanced to provide a fill-in number of calendar days for expiration of the critical materials suspension of work. This provision was weak in that the suspension of work did not end until the critical materials were delivered to the project, regardless of the duration.

DIVISION 2 – EARTHWORK

02033.FR2 Removal and Disposal of Hazardous Material

A series of new provisions for use when subsurface hazardous or contaminated materials are known or suspected to exist, and will be removed from the project. When used with companion provisions, provides payment for excavating the material by the cubic yard, and disposal of the material by force account.

02030207.GB2 Removing Portions of Existing Concrete

Removes methods of performance and specifies end results to be achieved. Generally, the means and methods of performance are at the discretion of the Contractor as long as the end product meets the requirements of the contract.

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02030208.GB2 Removing Portions of Existing Concrete Without Replacement

Removes methods of performance and specifies end results to be achieved. Generally, the means and methods of performance are the discretion of the Contractor as long as the end product meets the requirements of the contract.

020302092.FB2 Structure Removal by Explosives

Minor enhancement that improves the clarity of safety and security measures to be provided.

02041.GR2 and 0205A1.GR2 Removal and Disposal of Hazardous Material

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030307C.GR2 Contractor Provided Disposal Site

Deletes this provision because of changes in the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) that rescinded soils management requirements. The provision limited the contractors' options for disposal of excess excavation, and prohibited disposal of soils of any kind directly to manufacturers of topsoil. The change should result in reduced bid prices for items where excess material needs to be disposed of in contractor provided disposal sites. See Project Delivery Memo #05-02 dated June 24, 2005 for more detailed information on this change.

DIVISION 5 – SURFACE TREATMENTS AND PAVEMENTS

01031A1.GR5 and 0105.GR5 Treatment of pH for Concrete Work

A series of new provisions for use when monitoring of pH is a condition of a NPDES construction permit, a Section 401 Water Quality Certification, or other permit. Requires submittal of a plan to prevent concrete wastewater from being discharged until the pH is within acceptable limits. When used with companion provisions, addresses treatment of pH for all work that produces concrete wastewater.

040307A.GR5 Mix Design Verification

Specifically allows a determination of “unworkable days” for verification of mix designs that delay critical activities.

040308A1.GR5 HMA Evaluation

Revises the time for reporting the Composite Pay Factor from the end of the next working day to the midpoint of the next paving shift. This change provides uniformity between the language of the GSP and the Standard Specifications.

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DIVISION 6 – STRUCTURES

023003.GB6 and 025A4.GB6 Treatment of pH for Concrete Work

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0231410.GB6 Pigmented Sealer

This provision is changed to remove the "approval" requirement. This was causing confusion because GSP 02219.GB6 requires that pigmented sealers be chosen from the QPL - so any sealer submitted should already be an approved product. Also, the number of samples was reduced from four to one, and a spelling error was corrected.

120203.FB6 Noise Barrier Wall Access Door

Corrects an error that specified the wrong paint.

1402101.FB6 Geosynthetic Properties for Retaining Walls and Reinforced Slopes

This GSP is no longer necessary and is deleted. Since the completion and implementation of Standard Plan D-3 in June 2004, the physical property requirements for geosynthetic materials are now contained in the Standard Plans.

170308A.GB6 Verification Testing

Section 6-17 of the Standard Specifications has been modified to delete the verification testing requirement. Testing is now required only when specifically required by Special Provision upon the recommendation of the Materials Laboratory Geotechnical Services Division. This GSP is created for use when soil conditions dictate verification testing in conjunction with use of a higher factored design load for performance and proof testing, as recommended by Geotech.

170308B1.GR6 Performance Testing

Revised to specify the testing schedule for both the Load Resistance Factor Design method and the Load Factor Design Method. This GSP is created for use when soil conditions dictate testing in conjunction with use of a higher factored design load for performance testing, as recommended by Geotech.

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170308C.GB8 Proof Testing

Revised to specify the testing schedule for both the Load Resistance Factor Design method and the Load Factor Design Method. This GSP is created for use when soil conditions dictate testing in conjunction with use of a higher factored design load for proof testing, as recommended by Geotech.

180201.GB6 Shotcrete Facing

Revises type of cement to allow Type I or II. Formerly specified only Type II, but that type is virtually unavailable in the western United States.

DIVISION 8 – MISCELLANEOUS CONSTRUCTION

0103A.GB8, 01031A.GR8 and 0105.GR8 Treatment of pH for Concrete Work

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DIVISION 9 - MATERIALS

140481.GR9 Compost pH

New GSP used to specify a different pH for compost installed in areas receiving less than 10 inches of annual precipitation.

140482.GR8 Compost Acceptance

New GSP used to specify the testing frequency for contractor furnished testing when minor quantities or short contract durations are specified. The minor quantity acceptance guidance in the Construction Manual does not include compost or other materials tested by the Contractor.